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VALPARAÍSO (AFP) - At least 16 people were confirmed dead and more than 10,000 evacuated yesterday after a huge fire tore through Chile's historic port city of Valparaiso, officials said.

The blaze, which started in nearby woods on Saturday,

gutted 500 homes as a wall of flames advanced on the city of 270,000, famed for its UNESCO-listed center.

"It is a terrible tragedy, without doubt the worst fire in the history of Valparaiso," President Michelle Bachelet declared after arriving in the

city to oversee the emergency response to the disaster.

The cause of the inferno remains under investigation. Bachelet has declared the area a disaster zone, allowing the armed forces to assist in the relief efforts.

The stench of smoke and

charred wood shrouded Valparaiso as dawn broke, with firefighters still working to battle the flames that so far has ravaged just under 2,000 acres (809 hectares). Residents who had been evacuated returned to their neighborhoods to discover their homes

reduced to smoldering ruins.

Yesterday the death toll increased from four to 16 as rescuers began discovering bodies in destroyed dwellings. Roughly 500 people were being treated for injuries, mostly minor but some serious.

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Ships in our territorial waters will be levied a fee for their activities

ORANJESTAD -- Last Thursday, Minister Oduber reported to the press that henceforth all ships anchored in our territorial waters will be levied a fee for their activities in our territorial waters. Back in 2013 a report was prepared to look into this matter. Currently economic activity in our waters is limited to aquatic sports around the island in the context of our tourism. But, according to Oduber our potential is much greater. Last year they passed a law in Parliament 'under the

Haven en Rede Verordening' (Harbor Ordinance) designed to regulate all ship activity in our territorial waters that are not necessarily visiting the island. These ships are using our waters to rest, wait for job assignments, to clean up the exterior of their ships or to do transactions.

According to Oduber, Aruba is known for its transshipment area. In this context the recently passed law will take care of all activities in our territorial waters.

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Dangerous "jellyfish" spotted on Aruba's north coast

ORANJESTAD -- What are considered Aruba's best beaches and quietest waters are on the leeward side of the island, so seldom, if ever, bothered by jellyfish in their waters. However, the north coast of the island will be subject to collections of debris and certain sea life carried by the winds and currents to Aruba's shores.

A group of tourists that were swimming and body-surfing in one of the coves along the north coast spotted Portuguese Man-o'-War along the shore, a particularly both-



ersome species of stinging sea life. The Man-o'-War is a very beautiful creature, with a colorful inflatable bladder that sits on the water allowing it to drift with the winds and currents. Parents are caution to not allow the children to approach any dead jellyfish which may have washed up on the shore. Its venomous tentacles can deliver a very painful sting, even when the animal is dead.

Despite its outward appearance, the Portuguese man o' war is not a jellyfish but a siphonophore, which differs from jellyfish in that it is not actually a single multi-cellular organism, but an interdependent colony made up of many highly specialized minute individuals called zooids. These zooids are attached to one another and physiologically integrated to the extent that they are incapable of independent survival.

While floating, the innocuous, colorful bladder can be seen at the surface, propelling the creature by wind, currents and tides. When attacked, it can deflate, allowing it to sink below the surface. The stinging tentacles are typically 10 m (33 ft) in length, but can be up to 50 m (160 ft). Each bears stinging, venom-filled nematocysts (coiled, thread-like structures), which sting and

kill small sea organisms.

If spotting a Man-O'-War floating, it should be assumed that a large area surrounding the bladder is filled with stinging tentacles. They are also rarely just one, so it is advised to stay out of the water of any northern cove where their bladders are seen on the surface, or washed up on shore. It is also strongly advised to not walk barefoot anywhere near the dead creatures on the beach, as their tentacles can be buried under some sand and extend for quite some distance around them. If it looks like it was freshly deposited, and the bladder is still vibrantly colored, then it is still capable of inflicting some painful stings.

Stings may result in a severe reaction, particularly if there is an allergy to their venom. Often confused with jellyfish, this may lead to improper treatment, as the toxin differs from that of true jellyfish. Treatment for a man o' war sting includes avoiding further contact and carefully removing remnants of the organism from the skin (taking care not to touch them directly with fingers or any other part of the skin to avoid secondary stinging).

Because of the offshore winds on the leeward beach moving currents and objects away from the shore, the chances of a man-o'-war making its way to the south shore or Palm or Eagle beaches, are extremely remote. Those using north shore beaches for body-surfing or swimming are advised to practice caution and examine the area first for any sign of the creature.



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Important investment in aviation expected this year

ORANJESTAD -- In last Wednesday's meeting with the Department of Civil Aviation, Minister Oduber received a presentation on the investments needed for the coming years. Emphasis was also placed on the investments needed for this very year.

The investments are regarding certain important equipment for communica-

tion, navigation and surveillance known as CNS. This investment is crucial in order for the department to keep up to breast with the high level of security required by international norms. They are required to maintain category 1 status, increase efficiency in their work as air traffic controllers and to work with the minimum of stress.

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DESPA hosts an informative open day for Dengue prevention

BALASHI- The Department of Public Health, DESPA, hosted an open house at their headquarters in Balashi, which is also their center for mosquito control, GKMB. Inspectors and staff of GKMB conducted informative lectures and manned booths that displayed the various products used to control the island mosquito population.

The primary concern of GKMB is the spread of disease through insect bites, the most notorious of these being the various strains of the Dengue Virus. Dengue Fever, also known as Breakbone Fever, is transmitted by several species of mosquito within the genus Aedes, principally A. aegypti, identified by distinctive white stripes on its rear legs.

The motto of the GKMB is "Sin criadero no tin sangura, sin sangura no tin dengue" - "With no breeding ground there is no mosquito - without mosquitoes, there is no dengue." The equipment and insecticides on display during the open house demonstrated what the GKMB is doing to control Aruba's mosquito population, but the lectures were dedicated to what each household must do to prevent the proliferation of mosquitoes around their home and neighborhood.

Informative, entertaining booklets aimed at involving island youth in taking preventative measures are distributed to the schools. These and a number of other educational materials were handed out during the open house.



Inspectors will canvas neighborhoods house by house on a regular basis to check for possible breeding grounds. If they find old tires filled with water, potted plants with saucers of water, and other such items, they have an insecticide that kills the larvae but is safe for pets and birds, which they will sprinkle around. Those living near mangrove formations on the south side have likely seen GKMB personnel using portable foggers to reduce the mosquito population in these natural breeding grounds.

Unlawful littering creates breeding grounds and endangers neighborhoods unnecessarily. Anything that can catch some rainwater can attract A. aegypti to lay their eggs, which can remain dormant for more than a year, and then hatch with the first rain. Though Aruba is now experiencing what local meteorologists term a "medium drought," one small shower can cause an eruption of A. aegypti, which are possibly carrying Dengue.

The virus has five different

strains, of which four are known to exist on Aruba. Infection with one type usually gives lifelong immunity to that type, but only short-term immunity to the others. Subsequent infection with a different type increases the risk of severe complications. There is no commercial vaccine available, so inhibiting the mosquito population is the most important preventative.

GKMB inspectors ask that individuals report any sites they may consider to be breeding grounds, and they will come and spray, if need be. They also breed a species of goldfish, which feed on mosquito larvae. These are distributed for free to those who maintain ponds or fountains, or other decorative clean water sources on their grounds, which might be host to the larvae.

To obtain goldfish or request inspectors to come and spray in your neighborhood, call the GKMB headquarters at telephone number 585-3355, Monday through Friday, from 7:00 AM until 4:00 PM.

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Successful Aruba Meets Europe 2014 event wraps up in style

ORANJESTAD - The fourth and final day of Aruba Meets Europe (AME) 2014 started off with a market place at Renaissance Convention Center, offering all 40 participating tour operators from 11 European countries the opportunity to meet with Aruba's larger hotels and local destination management companies.

In the evening the group enjoyed a drive on the Kukoo Kunuku party bus, followed by a nightly tram tour through the recently renovated downtown area in Oranjestad, in-

cluding the capital's brand new main shopping street and museum district. The tram system was introduced in 2013 in Aruba as a unique way of transportation from the cruise terminal area to downtown. Locals and visitors have free access to the tram and can hop-on and hop-off at various stops.

The tour of Aruba's upgraded downtown area ended at the historic Fort Zoutman (dated 1798) for a farewell dinner and reception. Tirso Tromp, director of the Aruba

Tourism Authority in Europe looked back at a successful 3rd edition of AME. "We attracted representatives from tour operators and airlines from all over Europe of which many were new to Aruba. Looking at the positive numbers in the first quarter of 2014, the steady numbers of Dutch travelers and the potential of growing markets such as Italy and Germany, we can be very optimistic about the remainder of this year and even next year."

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An example of the needed equipment is a Voice Logging System, which is a system to record all conversation between the tower and aircrafts as well as with ground personnel. They also require a MEVA III System. This is a network system which works with a satellite for data of data and flights, transmitting data to the entire world. Still another piece of equipment needed is a Flight check for navigation equipment.

They have equipments that are 10 to 15 years old which must be replaced in order to keep up with interna-

tional norms. The Minister committed to make the necessary investment available this year yet. These investments are very important not only for to the department but also for the independence of the Air traffic Control department from the Civil Aviation Department, which is in the process.

The Minister is intent on getting this department on its own footing and that when that happens they have all the required equipment to function optimally and efficiently within international norms and standards.

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Marapin Consultancy has prepared the corresponding advice of all that must take place in the execution of this law. The Minister has decreed that as of June 1st they will begin with the collection of fees for all ship activities at sea. He reported that everyday one can see a large number of ships at sea that are not contributing to our economy. These ships, on the other hand are a threat to our waters in that the cleaning of their ships are contaminating our waters, destroying our coral and are a threat to our beaches.

The Minister reported that... "along with a very strict control, fixed tariffs have been implemented..." From a Twinning project in Holland they were able to put certain laws on the table.

They sought new forms, incentives, and especially new income for Aruba from

these territorial waters ships activities. The completed report titled, "Maritieme Toekomst van Aruba" (Maritime Future of Aruba) which is a study of the potential and opportunities that exist in our territorial waters can produce several million for Aruba as of June 1st when the law is to be implemented.

The report offers 40 to 50 recommendations on different activities to use our territorial waters in a manner as to generate income for the island. They discussed some of these activities in some detail. For example, the export of potable water, opportunities for large yachts, the maintenance and repairs of ships, among others.

In any case as of June 1st 2014, there will be no more free anchoring for all these ships, they will be paying fees for their activities.

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Successful AME 2014...

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Amigoe pa Bida Award winners left to right Mark Boekhoudt, Jasmina Meulens, Tirso Tromp (ATA), Tony Plummer and Jaap Ellis (ATA)



Winner Harry Rowe holding his painting by Elvis Tromp flanked by ATA staff and his winning picture in background

Five exceptional key performers and long-time loyal partners bringing European business to Aruba were honored with the 'Amigoe/Amiga pa bida Award' (translated 'friend for life') – Jasmina Meulens (KUONI), Mark Boekhoudt (Maduro Travel/ITG), Tony Plummer (Tropical Sky), Wim David (Silverjet Belgium) and Rob Oostendorp (TUI Netherlands). In addition prizes were handed to social media users using hashtag #ame2014.

The winner of the best picture, Harry Rowe of Black Tomato from the UK, re-

ceived an original painting of local artist Elvis Tromp as a first prize. Fred van Eijk (Travel Counsellors Netherlands & Belgium) won the prize for most tweets and Facebook posts during AME 2014.

The evening at Fort Zoutman concluded with a delicious dinner buffet catered by the Renaissance Aruba Resort and a carnival extravaganza, complete with tropical dancers and a brass band. On Saturday morning April 12 the official AME program ends with a breakfast at Arikok National Park.

European Tour Operators familiarize with Aruba's Apartments and Studios

PALM BEACH – The morning program of Aruba Meets Europe's third day was dedicated to smaller accommodations on the island, such as apartments and studios. All AME participants had the opportunity to meet with owners and managers representing 15 of Aruba's smaller guest facilities at a market place, set up in the ballroom of the Holiday Inn Resort.

Participants of the AME program appreciated the personal get together with smaller accommodations on the island, as the demand for this type of facilities is growing in Europe.

"I've attended five or six AME programs in the past and this is the first time a market place for apartments and studios is included", comments Jasmina Meulens of KUONI in the Netherlands. "We have recently merged with Does Travel & Cadushi Tours which means that our customer base is very diversified. We now have to tailor to a variety of customers with demands ranging from 3 star apartments to 5 star luxury hotels. The larger hotels are already well known in the Netherlands – most customers even think Aruba only has high-rise hotels to offer. It is great to have the opportunity to get to know the smaller accommodations on the island during this market place since this type of lodging is an upcoming market in the Netherlands. We need to educate our customers better of Aruba offering apartments, studios and villas as well."

Owners and management of apartments and studios in Aruba were pleased to be able to meet with the European Tour Operators during AME 2014. Deborah de Weerd and



Henk Steenbergen are owners of Paradera Park since 1993.

"We receive a healthy mix of guests from North America, Latin America and Europe. Our European customers mainly come from the Netherlands, Italy and the Nordic market. What I love about our European guests is their willingness to explore Aruba. They tend to stay longer and want to get to know the island, search for the local eateries and unique spots. This freedom of going out and about is a great match with our small property where they can unwind and relax afterwards", adds Deborah.

The market place sessions concluded with a group lunch, followed by a fun Jeep

Safari tour providing all participants to get to know the island better and explore its main sites. Local tour operator De Palm Tours along with the Aruba Tourism Authority organized a Scavenger Hunt, taking groups divided over 5 Jeeps to a variety of locations and Aruban attractions. At each site fun facts and historical information was shared. Sites included Alto Vista Chapel, Ayo Rock Formations, Bushiribana Goldmine and the California Lighthouse.

The evening program included an elegant cocktail reception at Bucuti & Tara Beach Resorts and a casual dinner at the Casibari Café & Grill, amidst well-lit ancient boulders and rock formations.

Malaysia says no mid-flight phone call from MH370 cockpit

KUALA LUMPUR (AFP) - Malaysia yesterday rejected claims that phone calls were made from Flight MH370 before it vanished, but refused to rule out any possibility in a so far fruitless investigation into the jet's disappearance.

The New Straits Times, quoting an anonymous source, had reported Saturday that co-pilot Fariq Abdul Hamid made a call which ended abruptly, possibly "because the aircraft was fast moving away from the telecommunication tower".

There had also been unconfirmed reports of calls by the Malaysia Airlines plane's

captain Zaharie Ahmad Shah before or during the flight.

Malaysian Transport Minister Hishammuddin Hussein told reporters yesterday that authorities had no knowledge of any calls from the jet's cockpit.

However, he added that he did not want to speculate on "the realm of the police and other international agencies" investigating the case.

Hishammuddin also said no passenger on the plane had been cleared in the criminal investigation into the fate of the flight, clarifying an earlier indication from Malaysia's police chief



SLAVYANSK, The Ukraine -- Pro-Kremlin supporters stand near their cars after a shooting between pro-Russian protesters and Ukrainian police special team on a road in the outskirts of the eastern Ukrainian city of Slavyansk on April 13, 2014. At least two people were killed and nine wounded yesterday in gun battles between Ukrainian special forces and pro-Kremlin militias that threatened to scuttle the first international talks on the worst East-West crisis since the Cold War. The clashes across the ex-Soviet state's separatist eastern rust belt broke out a day after masked gunmen stormed a series of police and security service buildings in coordinated raids that Kiev blamed on the "provocative activities of Russian special services". The Ukraine has given pro-Russian separatists a Monday morning deadline to disarm or face a "full-scale anti-terrorist operation" by its armed forces, raising the risk of a military confrontation with Moscow. (AFP PHOTO)

Scientists predict quiet Atlantic Hurricane season this year

FORT COLLINS, Colo., -- El Nino, the upwelling of warm water in the Pacific, will damp down the Atlantic hurricane season this year, with only nine named storms, researchers say.

Philip Klotzbach and William Gray of the tropical meteorology project at Colorado State University predicted that only three of the storms will grow into hurri-

cans and only one of those will be category 3 or higher. On average, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration says there have been just over 12 tropical storms in the years between 1982 and 2010 and 6.4 hurricanes.

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Syria's Assad says war turning in regime's favour

DAMASCUS (AFP) - President Bashar al-Assad said yesterday that the war that has torn Syria apart for three years and cost more than 150,000 lives is turning in the government's favour, state news agency SANA reported.

"This is a turning point in the crisis, both militarily in terms of the army's achievements in the war against terror, and socially in terms of national reconciliation processes and growing awareness of the truth behind the (attacks) targeting the country," he said.

Syria's army has made a series of advances in recent months, overrunning opposition bastions near the Lebanese border and in the central province of Homs.

"The state is trying to restore security and stability in the main areas that the terrorists have struck," said Assad, adding "we will go after their positions and sleeper cells later."

But there is still no political solution in sight for the war, which has caused massive destruction and forced nearly half the Syrian popu-

lation to flee their homes.

Syrian warplanes yesterday launched fresh strikes on rebel strongholds on the edge of Damascus, some of which used highly destructive barrel bomb attacks, the Syrian Observatory for Human Rights said, adding that three children and four men were killed in that particular raid.

The raids came as fighting raged on the edges of Daraya between rebels and the army, which for more than a year has battled to secure the capital.



View of part of a neighborhood destroyed by a blaze in Valparaiso, Chile.

Anti-nuclear states demand N. Korea halts weapons programme

TOKYO (AFP) - Twelve countries seeking to abolish nuclear weapons on Saturday denounced North Korea's atomic programme at the close of a meeting in Hiroshima, saying it endangered global stability.

The Non-Proliferation and Disarmament Initiative (NPDI) criticised North Korea for its nuclear and missile programme and urged the reclusive state to accept inspections by the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) and return to the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT).

"We strongly condemn North Korea's nuclear and ballistic missile programmes which undermine the NPT and the global non-proliferation regime as well as pose a great threat to regional and global peace and stability," a statement said.

"We strongly urge North Korea to ... abandon all nu-

clear weapons and existing nuclear programs and to return to compliance with its IAEA safeguards agreement and the NPT," it added.

The NPDI, launched in 2010, consists of Australia, Canada, Chile, Germany, Japan, Mexico, the Netherlands, Nigeria, the Philippines, Poland, Turkey and the United Arab Emirates.

It further called on leaders from countries equipped with nuclear arms to visit Hiroshima and Nagasaki, two Japanese cities devastated by US atomic bombings in World War II, to "witness the consequences with their own eyes."

In recent weeks, North Korea has conducted live-fire drills near the disputed border with South Korea, test-fired ballistic missiles capable of hitting Japan, flown rudimentary drones into the South and threatened to carry out a "new" type of nuclear test.

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Pope kicks off Easter week with Palm Sunday mass

VATICAN CITY (AFP) - Pope Francis kicked off weeklong observances leading up to Easter by celebrating Palm Sunday mass with some 100,000 pilgrims in a sun-drenched St Peter's Square on Sunday.

Dressed in Palm Sunday red, the head of the Roman Catholic Church led a traditional procession of palms along with scores of cardinals, bishops and priests.

For the observance recalling Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem shortly before his crucifixion and resurrection, worshippers carry palm and olive branches, which the Gospels says were used to greet Jesus when he entered Jerusalem.

In his homily, in which the Argentinian pontiff frequently strayed from a pre-



pared text, he asked: "Where is my heart? ... Am I like Judas? Capable of betraying Jesus, (or) like the disciples who, understanding nothing, slept while he was suffering?"

Francis urged the faithful to ask themselves if they were like "the other disciples who wanted to resolve everything by the sword", or "like

Judas, who pretended to love Jesus, kissing him before betraying him."

After the mass, the 77-year-old pontiff toured the throng aboard his white open-top popemobile, posing for "selfies", kissing babies and enjoying a sip of mate -- a herbal tea traditional in his native Argentina -- offered to him by a pilgrim.

At least 36 dead in Mexico bus crash: official

XALAPA (AFP) - A bus slammed into the back of a badly parked trailer-truck and burst into flames in Mexico Sunday, killing at least 36 people and injuring four others, authorities said.

Most of the roof and tires of the bus were reduced to ashes by the highway accident in the southeastern state of Veracruz, according to television images.

"The trailer-truck was on the shoulder of the highway at kilometer 135 (mile 84) ... when the bus hit the back of the trailer, which caused this regrettable accident," Governor Javier Duarte said.

"In addition to crashing, the bus caught fire, which makes the investigative work to identify bodies more difficult," he told Milenio television.

Federal police concluded that the truck was badly parked, the state government said. A state prosecutor

was sent to investigate the crash.

At least 36 people were confirmed dead, said government spokesman Alberto Silva Ramos. Duarte had earlier reported 25 deaths.

Those injured have been hospitalized and are in stable condition, officials said.

The accident took place between 1:30 am and 2:00 am local time (0630 GMT and 0700 GMT) as the bus took passengers, mostly shopkeepers, from the southeastern Tabasco state city of Villahermosa to Mexico City.

The tragedy occurred as Mexicans are set to begin Holy Week in the predominantly Roman Catholic country.

President Enrique Pena Nieto expressed his "deepest condolences" to the families of the victims via Twitter.



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Mediterranean diet: A heart-healthy eating plan

The heart-healthy Mediterranean is a healthy eating plan based on typical foods and recipes of Mediterranean-style cooking. Here's how to adopt the Mediterranean diet.

Research has shown that the traditional Mediterranean diet reduces the risk of heart disease. In fact, an analysis of more than 1.5 million healthy adults demonstrated that following a Mediterranean diet was associated with a reduced risk of death from heart disease and cancer, as well as a reduced incidence of Parkinson's and Alzheimer's diseases.

The Dietary Guidelines for Americans recommends the Mediterranean diet as an eating plan that can help promote health and prevent disease. And the Mediterranean diet is one your whole family can follow for good health.

The Mediterranean diet emphasizes:

- *Eating primarily plant-based foods, such as fruits and vegetables, whole grains, legumes and nuts

- *Replacing butter with healthy fats, such as olive oil

- *Using herbs and spices instead of salt to flavor foods

- *Limiting red meat to no more than a few times a month



- *Eating fish and poultry at least twice a week

- *Drinking red wine in moderation (optional)

The diet also recognizes the importance of being physically active, and enjoying meals with family and friends.

The Mediterranean diet traditionally includes fruits, vegetables and grains. For example, residents of Greece average six or more servings a day of antioxidant-rich fruits and vegetables.

Grains in the Mediterranean region are typically whole grain and usually contain very few unhealthy trans fats, and bread is an important part of the diet. However, throughout the Mediterranean region, bread is eaten plain or dipped in olive oil — not eaten with butter or margarine, which contains saturated or trans

fats.

Nuts are another part of a healthy Mediterranean diet. Nuts are high in fat, but most of the fat is healthy. Because nuts are high in calories, they should not be eaten in large amounts — generally no more than a handful a day. For the best nutrition, avoid candied or honey-roasted and heavily salted nuts.

Italy IVF patient pregnant with wrong embryos: report

ROME (AFP) - A woman who underwent fertility treatment at a clinic in Rome became pregnant with the twins of another couple after their embryos were mixed up, press reports said Sunday.

Italy's health ministry said it was launching an investigation into the mix-up, which was only discovered when the woman was three months pregnant.

The mistake happened on December 4, when four different couples were receiving treatment at a specialist fertility unit at the Sandro Pertini Hospital in Rome, La Stampa newspaper reported.

It is not clear whether the mistake led to any of the other women becoming pregnant with the wrong baby.

Health Minister Beatrice Lorenzin said Sunday investigators would look at whether the hospital had "respected all the legal procedures" and expressed concern that she had only learnt about the mistake through press reports.

The local health authority in Rome said it only became aware there was a problem of "genetic incompatibility" between the parents and the embryos on March 27.

It said it has halted all embryo implantations at the clinic until further notice.

The investigation will be led by geneticist Giuseppe Novelli and will look into whether there was any further mix-up of the embryos of two of the other women.

Foreigner dies of MERS in Saudi, 8 infected: ministry

JEDDAH (AFP) - A foreigner has died from MERS while eight people including five health workers have been infected in the Saudi city of Jeddah, where the spread of the coronavirus among medics has sparked panic.

The death of the 45-year-old man, whose nationality has not been disclosed, brings the nationwide toll in the world's most-affected country to 68.

The health ministry late Saturday announced the death of the man and said five health workers -- two women and three men -- and three other people had been infected by the virus in Jeddah.

The announcement came days after panic over the spread of the virus among medical staff led to the closure of the emergency room at the city's main public hospital.

Health minister Abdullah al-Rabiah visited hospitals in Jeddah on Saturday in a bid to calm residents.

The total cases of infection by the Middle East Respiratory Syndrome, which first appeared in the kingdom in September 2012, has hit 139, the ministry said.

The virus was initially concentrated in the eastern region but has now spread across more areas.

The World Health Organi-

sation (WHO) said on Friday that it had been told of 212 laboratory-confirmed cases of MERS infection worldwide, of which 88 have proved fatal.

The MERS virus is considered a deadlier but less-transmissible cousin of the SARS virus that erupted in Asia in 2003 and infected 8,273 people, nine percent of whom died.

Experts are still struggling to understand MERS, for which there is no known vaccine.

A study has said the virus has been "extraordinarily common" in camels for at least 20 years, and may have been passed directly from the animals to humans.



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Paseo Herencia honors Aruban Taekwando champion Stuart Smit



The halls and walls of Paseo Herencia Shopping Mall in Palm Beach are dedicated to educating visitors regarding Aruban history, culture and achievements, both locally and in the world arena. It has always been the mall's policy to encourage physical fitness and the tenacity and determination required by young island athletes to compete and triumph internationally in their chosen sport.

To this end, Paseo Herencia established their "Wall of Fame" and "Walk of Stars," to honor those who have gone out into the world to win and bring honor to the name of their home island. On Friday, April 11, Paseo Herencia General Manager Valerie Pietersz-Camacho and Marketing Manager Candy Rasmijn were very proud to welcome Aruban-born Dutch Taekwando National Champion for the third consecutive year, Stuart Smit, to unveil his addition to the "Wall of Fame."

Smit, who is 25-years-old, has been training in the sport since he was five, began competing locally at the age of seven, and has squared off against opponents during international tournaments since he was twelve. He has garnered silver and bronze medals in the Pan American Games, and now resided permanently in Holland.

His family, including proud papa Stuart, and the athlete's son, Stuart Jr, were on hand for the unveiling of his portrait, as were many of his fellow athletes from the Aruba Taekwondo Bond and its President, Marilu de Veer. Smits expressed his gratitude to all who have supported him over the years in pursuing his dream, particularly his mother, RIP, who he is sure is still watching over him.

Representing the government for his installation to the Paseo Herencia "Wall of Fame" was the Vice-President of the Aruban Parliament, Chris Dammers, congratulating Smits on his success and commenting on how proud he has made all of his fellow Arubans with his hard work and achievements.

Presently, Smits is recuperating from a torn ligament in his leg acquired in his last competition, but will soon begin training for his next important tournament, "with an eye towards Rio in 2016."

The Cell

By: Roland W. Peterson

It was in the end of 1980 and I was, in connection with my work, on a mission in the U.S.A.

One day, I was driving along in a car, when the F.B.I.-agent who sat next to me, stuck his hand into his shirt-pocket and pulled out a little black apparatus. He handed me the apparatus and told me to call my family. Not knowing if I was holding the little apparatus the right way, I handed it back to the agent, saying "I will if you show me how to use it".

Today, in less than 25 years, the whole world has this little black apparatus. They even gave it a name, it is called a "mobile phone" or better known as the "cell." They even take photo's with it.

Today, one wonders, how did we exist all those years before the cell.

For some people it is the cell before, during and after.

The first thing in the morning it is the cell and the last thing in the evening it is the cell.

But now the cell has gotten a little cousin, we pin with it.

If you are driving, walking, or on the tram you will notice someone in the unfriendly position, doing a pin.

A few days ago, in church, I noticed a lady was sitting a long time in the same position, and it looked like she was praying but she never turned a page.

A better look revealed that the person was not praying, but was texting someone.

Not even in the church do they respect the Lord. These people do not understand that living a life without God, is like an unsharpened pencil, they both have no point.



Power, water shortages as Cyclone Ita stalks Australia

SYDNEY (AFP) - Thousands of homes were without power and residents of worst-hit Cooktown were warned clean water was about to run out as cyclone Ita rolled along Australia's Barrier Reef coast Sunday.

Downgraded from a category four to a category one storm after making landfall late Friday, Ita continued to bring heavy weather as it tracked along the coast, with roads, power and water cut and warnings of flash flooding from torrential rain.

Some 16,000 homes were

without electricity and several roads were shut due to flooding, according to emergency officials. No deaths or major destruction have been reported.

In Cooktown, which bore the brunt of the storm as it barrelled into the coast, water was rationed to drinking and "minimal" sanitation only, with severe shortages due to storm damage.

Queensland premier Campbell Newman inspected the damage in Cooktown, where four buildings were destroyed and another 50

were damaged by the storm. Banana plantations in the region were flattened.

Elsewhere, Newman said rain had damaged up to 20 homes and another 30 had been cut off in the tourist town of Port Douglas by flooding.

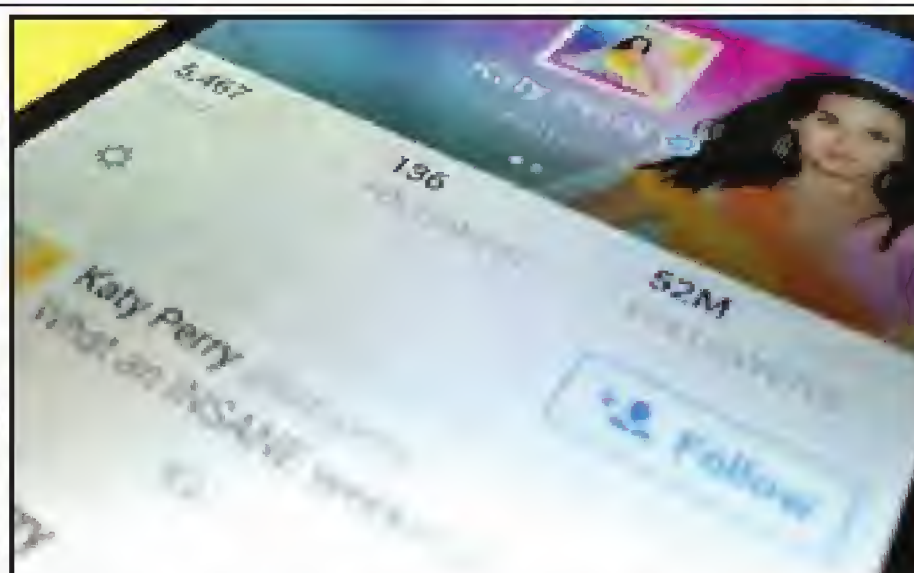
Newman appointed a disaster recovery coordinator to take up residence in the area for the next three months and oversee the clean-up.

Tropical cyclones are common in Australia's northeast and northwest during the warmer months.

Twitter announces redesign

The social networking service Twitter is revamping its design, the San Francisco-based company announced Tuesday.

"The new web profile lets you use a larger profile photo, customize your header, show off your best Tweets," Twitter said on its blog. Tweets will be better organized overall, the company said. Users will be able to see which of their tweets have engendered the most activity, because they will appear larger. Users will also be able to pin their best tweets to the top of the page. There will also be a variety of options for users when checking out other Twitter users can now tag their friends in pictures. Long available in other social networks, the new service is part of an update of the Twitter app for iOS and Android that is now available. The update also allows users to include up to four pictures with a tweet. Previously, the limit had been one photo.



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German space research centre under espionage attack: report

BERLIN (AFP) - Germany's aeronautics and space research centre has for months been the target of a suspected cyber attack by a foreign intelligence service, a German news weekly reported Sunday.

Der Spiegel said that several computers used by scientists and systems administrators at the Cologne-based DLR centre had been infiltrated by spy programmes.

"The government classes the attack as extremely serious because it, among other things, is aimed at armament and rocket technologies," Spiegel said.

In some computers IT experts found traces of spy programmes that were set up to destroy themselves on discovery, while others only activated themselves after months of lying in wait.

Spiegel said the attacks were "coordinated and systematic" and all the centre's operation systems were affected.



IT forensic experts probing who could be behind the assault have turned up clues that seem to point to China, but Spiegel quoted an unidentified "insider" as saying they could also simply be "camouflage".

Government sources said the case was being investigated but declined to confirm any details.

The German aeronautics and space research centre is active in the fields of aeronautics, space, energy, transport and security and is involved in international co-operative ventures, according to its website.

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FBI investigates Herbalife amid claims it is a pyramid scheme that unfairly targets minorities



TORRANCE, California -- The FBI is probing Herbalife Ltd, the nutrition and weight loss company that hedge fund manager William Ackman has called a pyramid scheme, sources familiar with the investigation said on the weekend.

One source briefed on the matter said that the investigation has been going on for some time, but declined to give further details. A spokesman for the Federal Bureau of Investigation in Boston declined to confirm or deny the investigation. So far no charges have been filed in the

matter.

Former Herbalife distributors said they had been contacted by agents who were interested in finding out more about the multilevel marketing company's business practices, including how it recruits new members into its distribution scheme.

FBI agents are also reviewing Herbalife documents obtained from former distributors, two other sources familiar with the matter said.

Herbalife said that the company has not received any inquiries from the FBI or the Justice Department about

any investigation. But it would not be unusual for law enforcement to investigate a company without telling executives about it.

The company has steadfastly denied running a pyramid scheme, where distributors earn more money for recruiting new members into the scheme than they do by selling products to consumers.

News of the FBI probe comes roughly a month after Herbalife confirmed that the Federal Trade Commission had issued a civil investigative demand to the company to look more closely at how it works. In January, U.S. Senator Edward Markey called on the FTC and the Securities and Exchange Commission to investigate the company, in part because of allegations from civil rights groups that Herbalife unfairly targets minorities. Herbalife denies this.

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G20: Global economy is strengthening but growth remains fragile

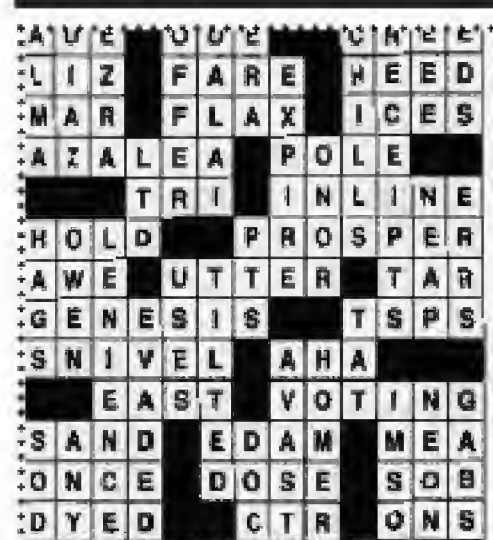
WASHINGTON: The world's top financial officials say they believe the global economy is strengthening but that growth remains fragile and open to risks of new geopolitical strife, as in Ukraine.

Rich countries have been helping power the recovery led by the US and UK, and the eurozone and Japan are doing better. However, there has been some slowing in major emerging markets such as China even though these economies have been powering along at growth rates

ahead of developed nations.

Many countries still are experiencing painfully high unemployment rates with millions looking for work. The conclusion of discussions yesterday at the International Monetary Fund and its sister institution the World Bank ended three days of talks that began with meetings by finance ministers of the Group of 20 nations, the mix of traditional economic powers such as the US, Japan and Germany and emerging economies such as Brazil, India and China.

SATURDAY'S Crossword Answer



US producer inflation accelerates

US producer prices recorded their largest increase in nine months in March, but that jump will probably not ignite inflation pressures as economic growth remains moderate. The Labour Department said on Friday its seasonally adjusted producer price index for final demand increased 0.5 percent last month, after slipping 0.1 percent in February.

The increase last month, which was the largest since June last year, reflected a surge in the prices of food and trade services.

Beef prices hit all-time high in U.S.

Continuing demand from Japan, Hong Kong, and Mexico increased U.S. beef exports by 3.2% in February to more than 10% of all U.S. production. Add to that the diminished size of the U.S. cattle herd and the low number of animals being slaughtered, and the result is higher prices for beef.

Much higher prices, in fact, according to USA Today which reports that the average retail cost of fresh beef rose to \$5.28 a pound in February, the highest price since 1987 and nearly 25 cents higher than the January price. The price paid to ranchers who raise cattle rose to \$1.44 a pound in February, up from \$1.25 in January, but lower than the preliminary estimate of \$1.47 a pound for March.

For now consumers are coping with the rising costs by buying either pork or chicken, but pork prices are up due to a disease that's killing young pigs and chicken prices are rising because demand for poultry is increasing as both beef and pork are already too high for some consumers.



General Motors recall to cost \$1.3 bn, double the earlier estimate

DETROIT -- General Motors has said that its faulty ignition switch-related recall will cost \$1.3 billion, double the original estimate of \$750 million.

The recall includes more than six million cars and the automaker has said the costs for recall-related repairs and for 15,000 rental cars they will provide customers in the interim was higher than previously estimated. GM origi-

nally estimated the costs for the quarter to be \$300 million, which was then revised to \$750 million.

The auto maker could be facing its first loss since emerging from bankruptcy in 2009. The costs of the recall, \$1.3 billion, will be added to a \$400 million charge previously disclosed for Venezuelan currency fluctuations. GM in the first quarter of 2013 earned \$1.18 billion.

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A DOLLAR? THAT'S OUTRAGEOUS! YOUR THOUGHTS AREN'T WORTH THAT!

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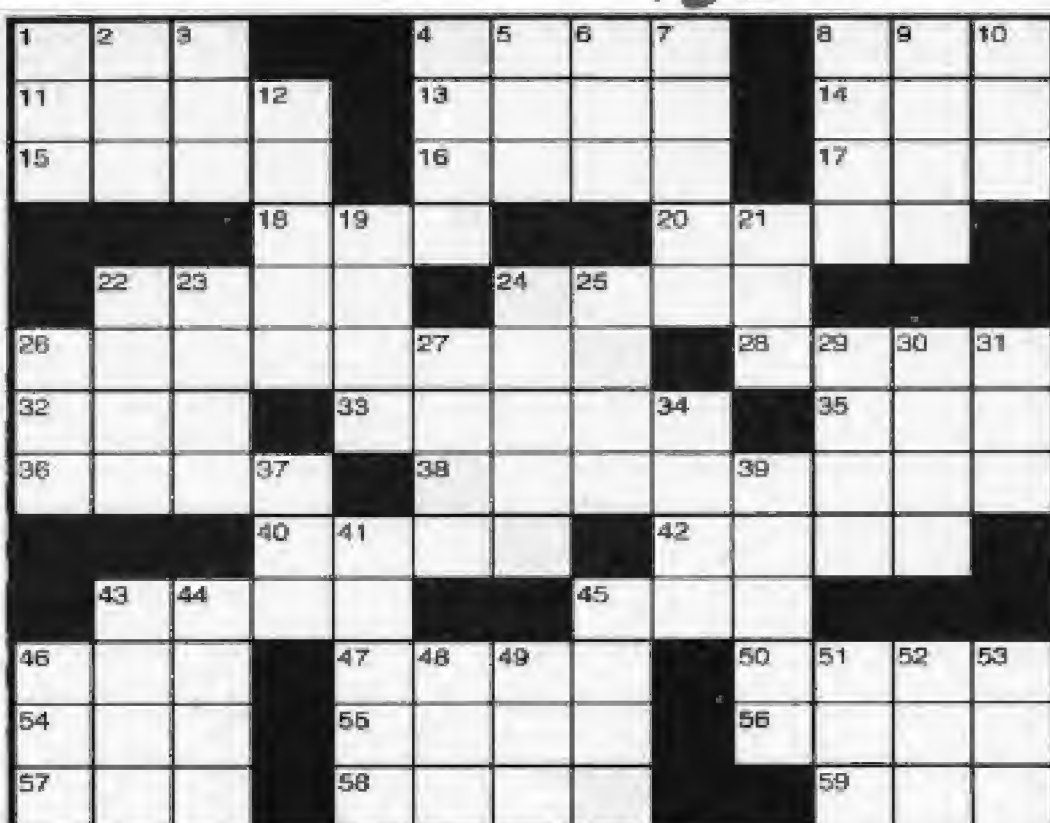
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13. Breathe with effort
14. Not hers
15. Page for viewpoints (hyph.)
16. Quartet member
17. Likely
18. FBI employee (abbr.)
20. Outfits
22. Tooth discomfort
24. Singer Campbell
26. "Nothing could

- be finer" locale
28. Ring up
32. Mineral source
33. Discoloration
35. Bro, to sis
36. Dashed
38. Craftsmen
40. Teen's home away from home?
42. Neck region
43. Guns the motor
45. Garment label
46. Director Prince
47. Equivalent
50. Shoemakers' tools
54. Put a question to
55. Sheltered, asea
56. "Scat!"

57. Billy ____ Kid
58. Gape
59. Sharp bark

DOWN

1. PPO
2. Tree's fluid
3. Mon. follower
4. Noisy row
5. Baseball's Maglie
6. Explosive letters
7. Enslie
8. Thick rug
9. Small swallows
10. Guess at a price (abbr.)
12. Potato-exporting state
19. Solidifies

21. Business collaborative (abbr.)
22. Senior citizens' org.
23. Manitoba Indian
24. Tree knot
25. Milk (Fr.)
26. Comic Bill's nickname
27. Slanted type (abbr.)
29. PDQ's kin
30. "Walk the ____"
31. Pounds (abbr.)
34. One of Columbus's ships
37. Would-be driver's destination (abbr.)
39. Narrative legends
41. Attempt
43. Poison ivy reaction
44. Sommer of "The Prize"
45. High-schooler
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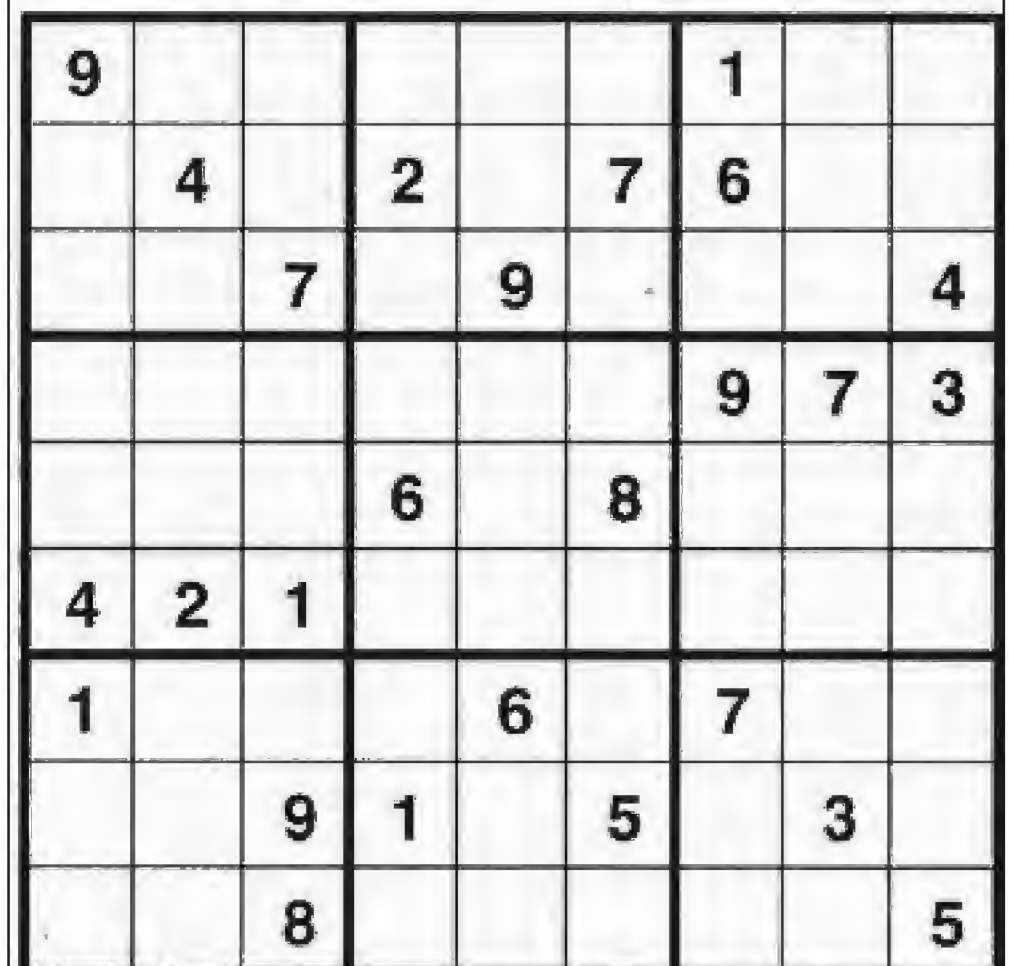
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Complete the grid so that every row and every column contains the numbers 1 through 9
A number is Never repeated in a row or column.
In addition every rectangle must contain the numbers 1 through 9

Gold Coast Aruba: This is the time to invest

-- Management of Gold Coast Aruba, the island's newest and most innovative gated community, reports that sales have been very good and encouraging as the global economy recovers and people looking to purchase vacation homes have found that Gold Coast is an outstanding investment value. Director of Sales, Fito Croes has noticed a surprising percentage of owners in reality do not spend a great amount of time personally to use the villas or town homes they purchase, but are taking advantage of Gold Coast's rental services to turn their investment into ready income.

"The greater portion of home owners are using their 'home away from home' in Aruba to escape the winter months, or spend holidays with the family on the island," he remarked, "but I am gratified by how many are buying because they felt secure with real estate investment on Aruba. They really study the history and economy of the island and are impressed with the political stability and continually increasing value of prime locations. Gold Coast is in the heart of Malmok, considered Aruba's most exclusive community where the value of properties has only increased over time. It is only minutes to the best beaches and all the ac-



tion, and yet offers a quiet and secluded getaway, we are very pleased by the response to our concept."

Fito, with his sister Mayrin and brother Rudy operate Cas Bon, which has been constructing homes and building developments for all budgets for nearly twenty years. "Gold Coast Aruba is the jewel in our crown," observes Fito. "We were very excited about this project and the scope of actual and planned facilities and amenities. We have spoken to countless island visitors to find out what they would really want in a permanent residence on Aruba, and took from there."

Input from frequent vacationers who have dreamed of their own home in Aruba con-

tributed to the realization of Gold Coast Aruba which when complete will be a community of 260 town homes, villas and condominiums with a stunning clubhouse complemented by two additional community pool areas. The Clubhouse is about to start construction and will offer to the community homeowners and visitors 2 tennis courts, full service spa and fitness center as well as a stunning pool area also to house a restaurant and mini-market.

Owners who purchased upon the groundbreaking only a few short years ago, are already enjoying a nearly 50% appreciation on their investment, particularly those taking advantage of the on site management's rental services program. There is always a great

demand for Aruba and facilities such as those at Gold Coast, make it easy for some owners to see a valuable return on their investment.

The design of the residences and public areas is open, airy and spacious, taking full advantage of the island environment, with quality construction and finishing available. Partnering with two of Aruba's top providers of kitchens and bathrooms enables developers to offer custom options allowing buyers to individualize their homes. An elegant and chic furniture package is available or island designers will assist owners in finishing the décor to their specific tastes.

There are many aspects to purchasing property; not the

least is the future value of the investment. To further enhance this, Gold Coast management have inaugurated a number of in-house services and have recently become affiliated Interval International, the world's largest network of vacation ownership properties which provides an unlimited international pool of investors to tap for ownership and rental prospects. Property exchange for a vacation in another destination is also available through the Interval International affiliation. Gold Coast's own rental services have also proven highly successful in assisting owners in renting their villas; 24-hour security and maintenance services also tip the scales when it is time to make a decision. Aside from all this, housekeeping, child care, catering services, car rental through its partnership with AVIS car rental are also available as well as pre-shopping services so cupboards and refrigerators are stocked upon arrival, which can also be arranged through their property management department. Personnel are also available to assist in arranging restaurant reservations and island activities.

Visit their website: www.goldcoastaruba.com for more details and availability or call 586-2200 to arrange a personal tour.

Discover authentic Aruban cuisine at The Queen's



Mama Luisa hard at work in the kitchen

Enjoy a true taste of Aruba without having to travel in the charming surroundings of The Queen's Restaurant in the Palm Beach Plaza Mall. Your host, Varela Innocencia has brought her very popular Oranjestad eatery to Palm Beach, showcasing authentic local cuisine only a short walk away from the major resorts.

The "hipper" and elegant new digs offer beautiful views, but Mama Luisa's magical touch in the kitchen is what

first won this charming eatery their loyal clientele. She can be counted on to be conjuring up the delicious dishes that have been in her family for generation. As Varela says, "My mom loves and lives to cook. Even when she is not at work in the restaurant, she is experimenting with new dishes all day at home."

She is the Queen of the Kitchen."

Be sure to try Luisa's acclaimed "Carni Stoba di Ma-

machi" - "Grandma's Beef Stew," or their fresh, whole snapper, with Mama Luisa's delectable salsa criollo. Don't miss the specialty of the house, a favorite local delicacy, Keshi Yena - "Filled Cheese." This is a tasty, filling stew of chicken, with other ingredients that are handy that day, all incased in a thick skin of melted Gouda. It is satisfying and particularly memorable. Regional side dishes and some of Mama's secret recipe prepara-

tion of banana hasa and creamy potatoes provide a deliciously picturesque meal.

The Queen's is located on the second level of Palm Beach Plaza, tucked into a cozy corner at the front of the mall. If you have a mind to try the real deal in Aruban food, without a doubt, this is the way to go, reasonably priced and easily accessible. A full menu can be seen on their website, <http://www.thequeensaruba.com/>.

www.thequeensaruba.com/.

Aside from an extensive regular menu they also have daily specials made from whatever is in season, and Mama Luisa is in the mood to prepare, so don't be shy about asking for something that may not be on the menu, as they are always eager to please.

The Queen's is open daily from 3:00 pm - 11:00 pm, offering both indoor and outdoor dining. telf. 5860606.

Motorcycling: Marquez cruises to 'boring' Texas triumph for second win

AUSTIN (AFP) - World champion Marc Marquez cruised to victory in the Grand Prix of the Americas on Sunday to register his second win in two races this season but he admitted it was a boring triumph.

The Spaniard repeated his maiden Texas MotoGP success from 2013 when he also won from pole position.

Marquez, who won the season-opener in Qatar last month despite breaking his leg four weeks earlier, finished 4.174sec ahead of Honda teammate Dani Pedrosa with Ducati's Andrea Dovizioso taking third place, a huge 20 seconds off the lead.

"I am so happy for this victory. The start was good and the 25 points important for the team even if the race was a little boring," said Marquez.

In a dramatic start, the 2010 and 2012 world champion Jorge Lorenzo had a jump start from fifth on the grid.

The Spaniard had to endure a compulsory ride-through the pit lane on his factory Yamaha at the end of the first lap.

At the front, Marquez charged away from the field and was never threatened, keeping Pedrosa in second place.

Italy's Andrea Iannone on a Ducati carved his way through the field from ninth place and settled into third in the early stages.

Valentino Rossi, on the second factory Yamaha and who was runner-up in Qatar behind Marquez, was fourth



Marc Marquez (L)



Maverick Vinales (file photo)

at the halfway mark.

But the veteran Italian slipped back down the field as he struggled with grip on his front tyre.

Such were his problems that even the satellite Yamaha riders of Aleix Espargaro and Bradley Smith comfortably swept past him.

Marquez's lead over Pedrosa had grown to five seconds with four laps to go while Dovizioso, who had started in 10th, was up to third.

Rossi was eventually

eighth, 45sec off the pace, while Lorenzo fought his way back to 10th place.

Spain's Maverick Vinales won his first career Moto2 race with a commanding victory.

Vinales, the Moto3 world champion last season, stormed from sixth place on the grid under rain-filled skies to take victory by 4.009sec from pole sitter Esteve Rabat.

Vinales, riding a Kalex, had finished in fourth spot in Qatar where fellow Spaniard Rabat, also on a Kalex, had triumphed. Dominique Aegerter of Switzerland was third Sunday on a Suter.

Australia's Jack Miller won his second successive Moto3 race.

The 19-year-old, who captured his maiden race victory in Qatar, had started on pole on his KTM.

He then survived a series of challenges from fellow KTM rider Romano Fenati, who was second, and Efren Vazquez on a Honda, on the last two laps to secure victory.

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BERLIN (AFP) - Michael Schumacher is "showing small signs of progress", his spokeswoman said Sunday, with the Formula One legend slowly recovering from devastating brain injuries suffered in a ski accident. "There are short moments of consciousness and he is showing small signs of progress," Schumacher's manager Sabine Kehm told German broadcaster ARD. "There are moments when he is awake and moments when he is conscious."



MARRAKECH (AFP) - (L-R) Xavier Mestelan, Citroen's technical director, Argentinian driver Jose Maria Lopez, French drivers, Sebastien Loeb and Hugo Valente and German driver Franz Engster pose with their trophies on the podium at the end of the FIA World Touring Car Championship (WTCC) on April 13, 2014 at the Moulay el-Hassan circuit in the southern Agdal district of Marrakech, Morocco. Loeb arrived first ahead of Lopez and Valente, while Engster the WTCC TC2 event.



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Swimming athlete Neftaly Alberts to compete in 2014 CARIFTA

ORANJESTAD - Synchronized swimmer, Neftaly Alberts will be performing her swimming skills representing Aruba during the 2014 CARIFTA championship. Neftaly will be competing in the 16-18 years category. Neftaly has many years of experience in synchronized swimming, she is currently the most experienced swimmer in Aruba. She will be defending the title in her age group swimming three solos.

Curacao will be participating with a delegation of synchronized swimmers.



Representatives from two different clubs will be competing in Aruba. This makes

this a small competition. Neftaly Alberts will swim solo as well as do figure swimming.

NBA: Hawks beat Heat to clinch playoff spot, Mavericks return to the postseason

ATLANTA, April 13, 2014 (AFP) - The Atlanta Hawks clinched the eighth playoff spot in the Eastern Conference Saturday as Jeff Teague scored 25 points in a 98-85 win over the defending champion Miami Heat.

Lou Williams scored 23 points for Atlanta who claimed the final playoff berth in their conference.

Atlanta had a 25-21 record on February 4 but went into a 6-20 tailspin before winning six of its last eight National Basketball Association games.

The Hawks qualified for the postseason for a seventh straight season. They scored 29 points off 20 Miami turnovers.

Dwyane Wade scored 16 first-half points on a perfect seven-for-seven shooting. He finished with 24 points on 10-of-14 shooting for the Heat, who are tied with the Indiana Pacers for the top seed in the Eastern Conference.

Wade missed his last nine games because of a hamstring injury.

LeBron James posted 27 points, eight rebounds and five assists in defeat.

The game was tied 49-49 at halftime and 51-51 before DeMarre Carroll capped a 7-1 surge with a three pointer from the left side for a 58-52

Hawks lead with 7:26 left in the third quarter.

Miami never got within four the rest of the game.

While in Dallas Dirk Nowitzki scored 21 of his 23 points in the second half and Monta Ellis tallied 37 as the Dallas Mavericks beat Phoenix 101-98 to clinch a playoff berth on Saturday.

By winning their final home game of the season, the Mavericks left Phoenix and the Memphis Grizzlies to fight it out for the eighth and final playoff spot in the Western Conference.

Brandon Wright finished with 12 points, 11 rebounds and three blocks for the Mavericks, who are back in the postseason after they had a 12-year streak snapped last season.

Eric Bledsoe finished with 29 points, six assists and four steals, while Channing Frye poured in 21 points for Phoenix, which is one-half game behind the Grizzlies.

The Suns host Memphis on Today.

Dallas trailed by as many as 13 early in the second half. But Nowitzki's layup with 6:42 to go in the fourth staked it to its first lead, 88-87, since



halfway through the second quarter.

The Mavs built their advantage to 99-91 with 2:25 remaining, but Bledsoe drove in for a layup, Markieff Morris sunk a pair of foul shots and Bledsoe's three-point play whittled the deficit to 99-98 with 52 seconds remaining in the fourth.

Ellis split a pair of free throws with 20.9 seconds left to make it 100-98 and Wright blocked Bledsoe's driving layup on Phoenix's next possession.

Ellis again connected from the free-throw line and Morris failed on a potentially tying triple in the final seconds.



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La Fama scores three points in Minor League football



ORANJESTAD - On Saturday afternoon the youth league of AVB in the Minor Division continued to play on different fields around the island. In Dakota the home team received the Savaneta La Fama team.

La Fama succeeded in taking home three points and defeated the Dakota team

with a score of 3-2 with two goals by Hugo and Joshua.

On the other hand, RCA won Britannia 3-2 with goals by Jean Pierre van den Linden, Felix Abreu and Francis van den Linden. The Brazil Jrs won the Estudiantes with a score of 4-1. Estrella ended up with a tie of 1-1 with United.

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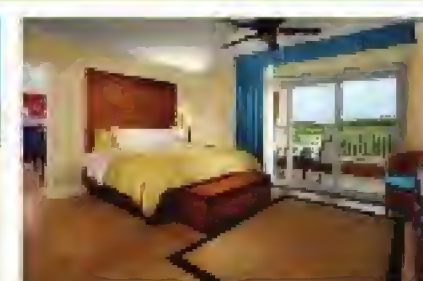
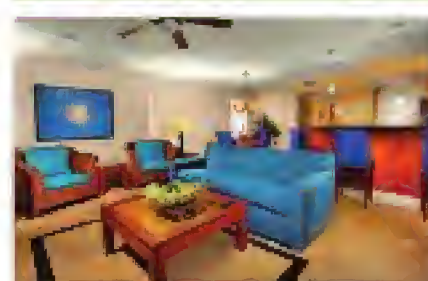
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Pacquiao beats Bradley in world title rematch



LAS VEGAS (AFP) - Manny Pacquiao avenged a polarizing loss to Timothy Bradley and regained the World Boxing Organization welterweight world title Saturday with a 12-round unanimous decision over the previously unbeaten American.

The Filipino ring icon improved to 56-5 with two draws and 38 wins inside the distance as he recaptured the title he lost to Bradley on June 9, 2012.

Although he couldn't get

his first knockout win since 2009, Pacquiao lived up to his pre-fight promise to come out with more aggression, denying Bradley's avowed aim of sending him into retirement with another defeat.

"I think I can go another two years," said Pacquiao, who had been stung by Bradley's pre-fight claim that at 35, Pacquiao had lost the fire that had made him one of the most feared fighters in the world. "I'm so happy to be world champion again,"

Pacquiao said. "Tim Bradley was not an easy fight."

Bradley, who said he fought from the first round with a right calf injury, fell to 31-1, with 12 knockouts.

"Life goes on," Bradley said of his first pro defeat. "Not a big deal."

Judge Glenn Trowbridge scored the bout 118-110 for Pacquiao, while both Michael Pernick and Canada's Craig Metcalf saw it 116-112 for the 'Pacman,' whose every move was cheered by the star-studded crowd of 15,601 at the MGM Grand Garden Arena.

After a tight first round, Pacquiao made his power felt in the second.

The third saw both fighters exchange at a furious rate, Pacquiao again landing the more damaging blows.

But Bradley rocked Pacquiao in the fourth, and Pacquiao said California's "Desert Storm" was an im-

proved fighter from the one who took that bitterly debated split decision in their first fight.

Even the WBO said upon review that Pacquiao should have won that fight on June 9, 2012.

Instead he saw a 15-fight winning streak end, and went on to be knocked out later that year by Juan Manuel Marquez.

But Pacquiao had launched his comeback from the back-to-back 2012 defeats with a lopsided points win over Brandon Rios last November.

That victory was a clinical display of boxing skill. Saturday's victory showed more of the old "killer instinct" that Bradley had questioned.

Bradley fin-

ished the fight with bruising around his right eye from repeated Pacquiao lefts, but Pacquiao said Bradley was just too tough to go down.

Pacquiao's next opponent could be the winner of the May 17 bout between Mike Alvarado and Marquez.

If Marquez wins, he could meet Pacquiao for the fifth time.

